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SUBJECT: CLOSED ZONE CBM PROPOSAL

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1. WITH REGARD TO THE SUGGESTION FOR A CBM ON THE ELIMI-
NATION OF RESTRICTED AREAS (REFTELS), WE HAVE BEEN PRESS-
ING THE USSR AND THE EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ON A
BILATERAL BASIS FOR SOMETIME FOR THE RECIPROCAL ELIMINA-
TION OR, IN CASE OF THE USSR, AT LEAST REDUCTION OF ZONES
CLOSED TO AMERICANS, CIVILIAN AS WELL AS MILITARY. THIS
PROGRAM HAS BEEN RELATIVELY SUCESSFUL. ASIDE FROM AREAS

SUCH AS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, WHICH ARE RESTRICTED IN VIRTUALLY ALL COUNTRIES, THE ONLY ZONES REMAINING CLOSED TO AMERICANS IN EASTERN EUROPE ARE THOSE IN THE USSR AND BULGARIA AND THE PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED AREAS (PRA) LOCATED IN THE GDR/EAST BERLIN WHICH PERTAIN ONLY TO THE BRITISH, FRENCH AND US MILITARY LIAISON MISSIONS (MLM) STATIONED IN POTSDAM. WE RECIPROCATATE FOR THESE RESTRICTIONS WITH CLOSED ZONES IN THE US FOR ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE USSR AND BULGARIA AND WITH PRAS FOR THE SOVIET MLMS LOCATED IN THE FRG. THE US HAS MADE BILATERAL PROPOSALS FOR RECIPROCAL ELIMINATION OF CLOSED ZONES IN BOTH THE USSR AND BULGARIAN CASES. IN THE LATTER CASE, WE APPEAR TO BE CLOSE TO AGREEMENT TO LIFT THE BILATERALLY IMPOSED RESTRICTIONS.

2. IN ADDITION, WE ARE CURRENTLY CONSIDERING INCLUSION

OF LANGUAGE ON ELIMINATION OF CLOSED ZONES IN A POSSIBLE NEW BASKET III PROPOSAL ON FREER TRAVEL, WHICH IS ALREADY INSCRIBED IN NATO LIST OF POSSIBLE NEW BASKET III PROPOSALS. LANGUAGE TO BE CHOSEN WOULD NOT AFFECT THE SPECIAL STATUS OF MLMS WHICH ARE ACCREDITED TO APPROPRIATE UK, FRENCH, US AND USSR MILITARY COMMANDERS AS RESULT OF IMMEDIATE POSTWAR AGREEMENTS. THESE COMMANDERS, NOT THE GDR/FRG, ESTABLISH THE RESTRICTED AREAS WHICH ARE APPLICABLE ONLY TO MLMS. ALTHOUGH ELIMINATION OF PRAS COULD HAVE SOME INTELLIGENCE VALUE, RAISING SUBJECT IN CSCE CONTEXT COULD AFFORD GDR OPPORTUNITY TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSION OF MLM STATUS AND PUT PRESSURE ON EXISTING CONFIDENTIAL

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